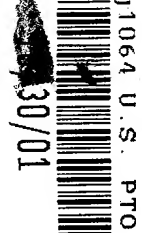


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- 3 sheets of drawings.
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